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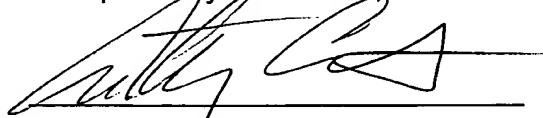
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A Notice of Abandonment was mailed by the USPTO on December 15, 2004. Applicants received a Restriction/Election requirement on October 1, 2004 and responded with an Election and the correct petition for extension of time on December 16, 2004, well within the statutory 6 month period for response. This Election was received by the USPTO and currently appears on the PAIR system. However, the Examiner incorrectly mailed a Notice of Abandonment on December

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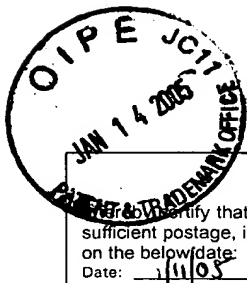
15, 2004. In response to the Notice of Abandonment mailed by the USPTO on December 15, 2004, Applicants' Agent, Anthony P. Curtis, Ph.D., Reg. 46,193, contacted the Examiner. The Examiner indicated that the Notice of Abandonment was incorrectly mailed. The Examiner indicated that he would rescind the Notice of Abandonment and issue an Office Action in response to the election.

Respectfully submitted,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'Anthony P. Curtis', is written over a horizontal line.

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Date: 1/11/05 Name: Anthony P. Curtis, Ph.D., 46,193 Signature: [Signature]

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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re Appln. of: Naoya Hasegawa et al.

Appln. No.: 09/901,438

Filed: July 9, 2001

For: Exchange Coupling Film and  
Magnetoresistive Element Using the Same

Attorney Docket No: 9281/3996

Examiner: C. Magee

Art Unit: 2653

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TRANSMITTAL

Sir:

Attached is/are:

- ☒ Transmittal Cover Letter (1p. Filed in Dup.); Substance of Interview (2pp.)  
☒ Return Receipt Postcard

Fee calculation:

- ☐ No additional fee is required.  
☐ Small Entity.  
☐ An extension fee in an amount of \$\_\_\_\_\_ for a \_\_\_\_\_-month extension of time under 37 C.F.R. § 1.136(a).  
☐ A petition or processing fee in an amount of \$\_\_\_\_\_ under 37 C.F.R. § 1.17(\_\_\_\_).  
☐ An additional filing fee has been calculated as shown below:

					Small Entity			Not a Small Entity	
	Claims Remaining After Amendment		Highest No. Previously Paid For	Present Extra	Rate	Add'l Fee	or	Rate	Add'l Fee
Total		Minus			x \$25=			x \$50=	
Indep.		Minus			x 100=			x \$200=	
First Presentation of Multiple Dep. Claim					+\$180=			+\$360=	
					Total	\$		Total	\$

Fee payment:

- ☐ A check in the amount of \$\_\_\_\_\_ is enclosed.  
☐ Please charge Deposit Account No. 23-1925 in the amount of \$\_\_\_\_\_. A copy of this Transmittal is enclosed for this purpose.  
☐ Payment by credit card in the amount of \$\_\_\_\_\_ (Form PTO-2038 is attached).  
☒ The Director is hereby authorized to charge payment of any additional filing fees required under 37 CFR § 1.16 and any patent application processing fees under 37 CFR § 1.17 associated with this paper (including any extension fee required to ensure that this paper is timely filed), or to credit any overpayment, to Deposit Account No. 23-1925.

Date

1/11/05

Respectfully submitted,

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